Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 18 Jan 2024 until 23:59 on Friday 19 Jan 2024

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 17 Jan 2024 at 17:02

Confidence: High for mainly dry and cold Thursday, also for turning very windy as winds back to west to southwest for the weekend, lifting freezing levels and bringing Atlantic fronts through the country, but medium for the transitional detail.

Headline for Thursday 18 Jan 2024: Mainly dry, sunny but feeling very cold with brisk summit winds combining with very low freezing levels to bring a severe wind chill effect.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 18 Jan 2024

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Clear night	Clear night	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Clear night	Clear night
Precipitation probability							
<05%	<05%	<05%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%

Forecast for Thursday 18 Jan 2024

Weather: A cold day with only the odd isolated light wintry showers appearing, largely confined to the far west of the Park. Best of the prolonged periods of weak winter sunshine in the east. Some chance of freezing fog lingering around the foothills early and late in the day.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 90% plus

Low cloud and visibility: Very good or excellent briefly moderate or poor in rain showers, very poor in snow showers and within cloud with bases infrequently lowering to 600m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	11/16 NE	9/12 N	9/13 NW	10/14 NW	12/16 N	11/15 NW	10/16 NW	10/15 NW	7/10 NW
300	1/6 E	2/6 W	4/9 W	4/9 W	6/11 NW	5/12 NW	5/11 W	5/10 W	4/8 W
Valley	2/3 W	4/6 W	5/9 W	5/10 W	5/11 NW	5/12 NW	5/11 W	5/10 W	4/9 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	-4/-10	-4/-10	-4/-9	-4/-9	-2/-8	-1/-6	-3/-8	-3/-9	-4/-8
300	-5/-7	-4/-6	-3/-6	-3/-5	1/-2	2/-1	-2/-5	-2/-5	-3/-5
Valley	-5/-7	-4/-6	-3/-6	-2/-6	2/-0	2/-0	-1/-4	-2/-5	-3/-6
Freezing Level*	00m	00m	00m	00m	100m	100m	00m	00m	00m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Main consideration for today is the severe wind chill effect.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
15:00 on Wed 17 Jan 2024	0mm	0mm	0.2mm

Forecast for Friday 19 Jan 2024

Weather: Mainly dry with good periods of weak sunshine, but a few light showers will appear across the west. Gradually turning milder with winds now backed west to southwest gradually lifting the freezing level.

Maximum wind: West to southwest increasing from late morning to mean 25-30mph with gusts reaching 45mph across most exposed ridges and summits.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 90% plus

Low cloud and visibility: Very good or excellent briefly moderate or poor in rain showers, very poor in snow showers and within cloud with bases infrequently lowering to 600m.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Minus 7 Celsius increasing plus 6 Celsius
At 600m: Minus 4 Celsius increasing Zero Celsius during the evening
Freezing level: Surface lifting 600m during evening

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